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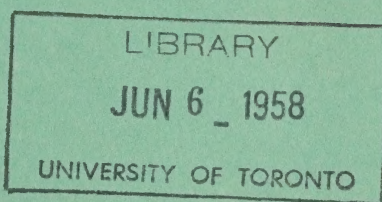
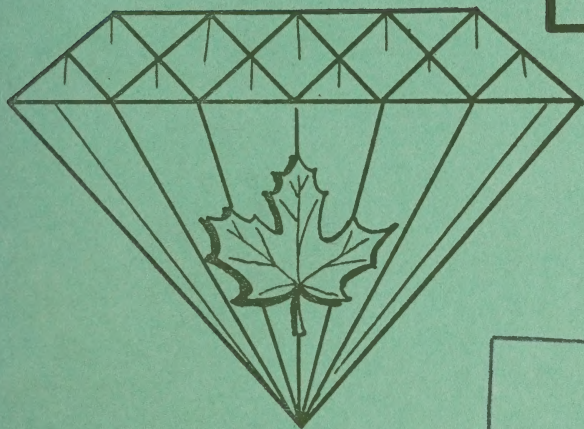
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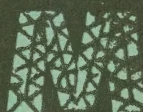
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— PLATFORM —

1. To inspire and cultivate moral and intellectual improvement amongst the men of Collin's Bay Penitentiary.

2. To aid in overcoming the arbitrary bias which is one of the numerous "bars sinister" to a wayward man's redemption.

3. To discuss progressive and revolutionary penological data, without recourse to partiality, favour or affection.

4. To evince Stoicism and humour, to the end that light shall obtain even in darkness.

5. To elicit the support of Society in welcoming the return of a man from prison who needs help and who is genuinely desirous of seeking his reformation in the highly competitive life of the free world.

Editorial

OUR FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

The 1958 GENERAL ELECTIONS

On March 31st, the people of Canada went to the polls to elect Canada's 24th Parliament. They not only went to the polls in record numbers but their ballots gave the Progressive Conservatives an overwhelming majority of 208 seats; the Liberals 49; and the C.C.F. 8. The Social Credit party was annihilated. The General Election was a record-breaking one all around. No Liberal member was elected west of the Lakehead; the P.C.'s received 2/3 of Quebec's 75 seats; 68 of Ontario's 85 seats went to the Diefenbaker regime and in Alberta, Manitoba, Prince Edward Island and Nova Scotia they swept the boards.

The Tories relieved the Grits of 57 seats, while the Liberals failed to gain one from them. They also picked up 19 Social Credit seats and 13 from the CCF. The Liberals picked up two seats from Independent Liberals and one Quebec Independent seat. Every Cabinet member of the 23rd Parliament had been re-elected.

Many great Parliamentarians went down to defeat. Among these were CCF LEADER M.J. Coldwell and his deputy Stanley Knowles; SOCIAL CREDIT BOSS Solon Low; former Liberal Cabinet Ministers: James Sinclair, Fisheries Dept. head; James S. Gardinar, Agriculture Minister; Transport Minister George Marler, and CCF veteran Claire Gillis of Cape Breton South riding.

Now the people have spoken, and we hope a wise decision was made in giving this steam-rolling majority to Mr. Diefenbaker

and his P.C. government. John D. had asked for a workable majority so that his government could succeed and now that he has it, and some to spare, we await with interest the opening of his new Cabinet on May 12th.

As Mr. Diefenbaker, Mr. Green and Mr. Fulton said after the elections showed the P.C.'s with such a gain, on the the night of March 31st, "we've a lot of work to do," and we quite agree. What lies in store for our 24th Government will be many days of hard work and time will tell if the Conservatives can live up to their election promises.

Mr. Fulton said his department is concerned with the Bill of Rights and implementation of recommendations of the 1956 Fauteux Commission. We hope that at least, after all the talk in government, and political speeches this 'dream' will become a reality. After all, our present Ticket-of-Leave system dates back to 1899.

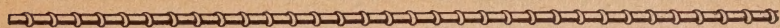
In addition, there is price support bills, an unemployment situation, royal commission findings, and many other items of business that require immediate action.

May we suggest that penal and unemployment subjects be dealt with first, and I am sure you will agree that one good way to cut down the country's expense is to start with the prisons.

The Collin's Bay Diamond congratulates the 1958 Government; its Leaders and members alike, and may we all work in unity to make Canada a country we can still say with pride "HOME."

Your Roving Reporter Enquires:

“ABOUT PAROLE”



Roaming around the institution, recently, I conducted a poll amongst five inmates I picked at random, regarding their parole possibilities.

QUESTION: Are you planning on applying for Ticket-of-Leave, and what are your prospects?

ANSWERS:

Inmate #1 — age 38, serving 5 years — “Yes, I’m going to apply for a “Ticket”, when I near my half-time, unless this ‘new parole system’ is in effect by then. I think I will make it, as this is my first offence: am married with fair-sized family and have a job to go to if I want it.”

Inmate #2 — age 36, serving 2 years — “No, I know I won’t make it so why apply. To be honest, I made a small ‘ticket’ out of here in ’56, and although I did not violate it, I don’t expect they would give me the second chance. It’s a funny thing, when I was sentenced the magistrate told me that I was to apply when I had half my sentence served, fully aware of the fact that I was “lucky” once before, but I know it is a waste of time and those turn-downs are damn disappointing.”

Inmate #3 — age 35, serving 3 years — “Yes, I expect to be paroled from here very soon. My half time will be up in June or July, and I am told I stand a good chance, since this is my first time in trouble with the law. I am married, have a home to go to and quite a few chances for employment.”

Inmate #4 — age 34, serving 3 years — “Yes, I’m going to write when my time is due. I expect this ‘parole system’ I hear so much about will be in effect this year, so if so I won’t need to write. I made a ticket out of ‘The Wash’ (Burwash Industrial Farm) but I still think I stand another chance. After all my ‘beef’ isn’t serious — forgery — and I

think Ottawa takes that into their consideration. This is my second bit here, you know, and the officials told me that I could make another one.”

Inmate #5 — age 28, serving 4 years — “Sure I’m writing for a ‘ticket’ if that is what you mean. All you hear in here is this new parole board they are going to start here, but brother I think in ’59 they will still be applying to Remission Branch for their tickets of leave, and mine will be one of them. I don’t see why I can’t make it; even though I have had a few bad breaks; and I think everyone deserves a parole for 6 to 8 months even if he had one before. They talk rehabilitation; and that is the way they could prove it by more tickets to those who ‘keep their noses clean’ in here, even if he had a parole, or even a ticket of any kind, before. Don’t you agree?”

This covers our first series on subjects pertinent to the proper rehabilitation of the inmate of our penal institutions. We feel the five inmates listed a concise cross-section of their opinions on “Parole”.

We maintain that everyone; at least those with the minor offences, or anyone who shows initiative in trying to become a better citizen in here, should be given the opportunity of gaining an earlier freedom on parole, or Ticket-of-Leave. Parole is actually liberation of a penal inmate into the free world, prior to the expiration of his (or her) sentence. This does not mean that the parolee is permitted to do what he (or she) like. Quite to the contrary. Although away from the stigma and atmosphere of prison, the parolee is under a restricted supervision until his sentence has expired and through this medium has a much better chance of making a successful re-adjustment into society, if he is afforded a ‘guiding hand’ in getting over the hurdles that accompany the immediate post-release period.

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Let's Combat Juvenile Delinquency

Our public, or society in general, has failed to delve too deeply into the problems of Juvenile Delinquency. When anyone makes the "wrong" turn, runs a foul of the law, or gets into some kind of trouble we, as citizens of this fine land, are prone to criticize the errant one. We just chalk up another victory for Satan, or whoever the devil may be, and looking into the future we merely say "he's a bad one", a no-gooder", and "he'll end up in the big house". In most cases that is exactly what does happen, as the years go by. But do we try to prevent this? Not by a long shot.

Juvenile Delinquency is a matter every mature person should take an interest in. It can happen to our own off-spring, or close relatives, and if we could all use the open mind, and believe in "IT CAN HAPPEN TO YOU", then combatting juvenile delinquency, doing some bit of good, no matter how small, will be a pleasure.

Our Service Clubs, such as the Kiwanis International, Rotary, Optimist, Lions, Shriners, Knockers, and many, many others are doing their share and more. These organizations sponsor hockey teams in the Pee Wee, Bantam, and Juvenile leagues; "Little League Ball Teams"; and other forms of sport and entertainment. They take the children off the streets for recreation in a gymnasium, or club-room of some type. Perhaps a great example of this is Fred McCann and his "Ottawa Boys' Club". I do not believe many, if any, of Fred's graduates have followed in a path of crime, or run amok in any way. This genial gentleman saw this organization start from scratch with a small club-room on Laurier Ave. Now they have a huge building of their own and his boys can beam on "Father" Fred with pride, because they are proud that they have such a great guy as Mr. McCann to guide them on the right path. Fred McCann and the Ottawa Boy's Club is doing well in their efforts to combat delinquency on the streets of Ottawa. Gus Ryder in Toronto, is another fine example, and no doubt in other cities and towns there are others.

Let's take a good look at the young fellow as he grows towards manhood. When a lad learns to understand the nice things in life,

perhaps when his toys are getting tiresome, he wants a dog for a companion. (Often his parents, do not care for the canine creatures, and he does not get one). Later on he wants a ball, a bat, a ball glove, so that he can participate in ball games with his chums. He still wants guns and holsters to play "cowboy an injuns" with the other neighbourhood kids. He wants a fishing rod so that he can go fishing, and in the summer he likes to spend his holidays near the water. When the autumn leaves turn a golden colour, and the football games are on T.V., he would like rugby equipment and learn the sport of sports. When winter comes he wants to play hockey so he must have skates, hockey equipment and sticks and pucks so he can participate in this winter sport. And so it goes, all through his adolescent years he wants toys and playful equipment of all sorts.

The service clubs, such as the Ottawa Boys Clubs, sponsor holidays at the water for the boys, and the cost is small to the parent. In the long run, the small cost involved is worth it in seeing the boy or girl grow up as a decent citizen.

It costs a lot of money to outfit junior from the day of his birth until he is able to get out and earn a living for himself. Many parents cannot provide these things, much as it breaks their heart to see their child, suffer the agonies of not having what the other kids have. This is quite natural, money does not grow on a tree, and the cost of living soars higher and higher. Due to modest incomes, large families are only able to earn enough to feed and clothe the children. But there are many parents who feel the toys and sporting sundries are not necessary and would sooner save the almighty dollar. Even though the service clubs close the gaps for the young when they are old enough to participate in the sports they offer, is this sufficient? Empathically "no".

As stated, it is quite understandable in some cases. Mom and Pop cannot afford to provide all the necessities of life and still pay out excessive expense on the little things. After all if you haven't the money, you cannot buy it. In other cases, a child is provided by the parents with a weekly allowance; and

in this way the child learns to save and will purchase wisely. Others claim this spoils the child. But I do not think this is true. A child of a well-to-do family gets everything he wants, all through his life, yet seldom does an off-spring like this land in trouble; simply because they have no reason to steal, or do anything that is morally wrong.

On the other hand, many children are victims of broken homes, occasioned by divorce, separation, desertion, or even death. At a very early age, many children learn to fend for themselves. They steal to survive, and get acquainted with companions who are

sion.

These institutions are not the answer. The old "busy-body" who said 'he's a bad one' has turned out to be a prophet because "he did end up in the big house". Little does this for-seer realize that he is the one who is just as much a delinquent because he didn't try to straighten out the mess before the lad did turn the wrong way.

Our schools and educators CAN AID in cobatting delinquency, but most of all JOHN Q. PUBLIC should get interested too. Any-one with a sympathetic understanding will agree that it is a serious problem and if we



Harmony In the home



in the same predicament. They grow up as thieves. Many are victims of alcoholic, or narcotic-addicted parent(s). Their seniors hate the "cops" because they are supposed to stand for what is righteous or good, and eventually the child grows up to fear and hate the police. Put these innocent ones all together and the word **DELINQUENT** is easily written across the countenance of each one.

Our jails, detention homes, reformatories and penitentiaries are full of delinquents. Some are now the grown-up version of a juvenile delinquent but the motive has grown with them. Some cannot face reality in society and since all they have learned was to steal to survive— this became their profes-

want to make honest, upstanding citizens of our younger generation then everyone must work together in close co-operation, So **LET'S COMBAT JUVENILE DELINQUENCY.**

The Children's Aid Society, the Salvation Army, The Catholic and Protestant Welfare Leagues all have wards who want a good home, a happy life. There are many detention home inmates who are there only because they have no place to go. All because no one wants to help them in their problems.

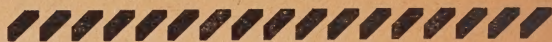
I hope the future and present parents will take a good hard look at their young growing children and help them all they can, because **It Can Happen To You.**

We want to help juvenile delinquents — don't you.

Radio



Ramblings

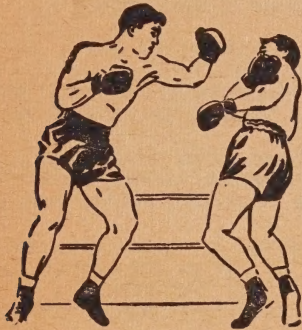


with "Ike"

Spring is in the air, and ball-games appearing on the networks. Hockey fans were well cared for during the past winter with most of the CKLC (OHA Sr. "A") games brought to us by Johnny Kelly, Sports Director at CKLC radio in Kingston, and sponsored by W.W. Hawley and Frigidaire. In addition the Toronto Maple Leafs' Imperial Esso broadcasts with Bill Hewitt (CBC) were well listened to every Saturday night and will be missed during the summer months. Not to be outdone, the Montreal Canadiens' fans were able to follow their favourites each Sunday night With Danny Gallivan through CFRA radio in Ottawa, and the french-language Les Habitants fans had their nite to howl also every Thursday night, the usual Canadiens' mid-week home game night Then we had the Whitby games on their world championship tour and all the games broadcast on the NHL finals and semi-finals. . . The Tactless One is doing a pretty fine job at the controls of C.K. C.B. . . Without undue criticism though, we can't understand why we don't hear Buddy on the blower any more. . . It is nice to know that someone out there is thinking of us at 06:50 and 7:25 a.m. . . Is it because some sleepy-heads don't like to hear the maternity ward door open and the babies squawking? . . We have CKWS on our Channel 2, with Carl Cogan. . . Wonder why he doesn't say a good morning fellows??? . . See where Charlie Yellowley (CKLC) is now that station's Special Events Director. . . C.B. Diamond sends our Congrats. . . Ron. Bertrand does a fine job pinching for Buddy every other week-end and Buddy did a fine job of pinchin'

for Ken Phillips on "Call For Help" while the latter was on his CKLC Kingston-New York Easter Holiday Trip. Incidentally, Buddy, I am told you have a listening audience from 6:00 a.m., since CKLC increased its power, down Carleton Place way. . A certain fellow's Mom tells him it's like old times hearing your ever-cheerful voice, which once came over an Ottawa radio station. . . Hear Jim Marino is now with CFRA, Ottawa, and Pete Handley in North Bay with the station up that-a-way. . Max Jackson doing fine job as sports director of CKMS (Radio and TV) . . . We just hear the radio part, however, as we are not the fortunates who have Television. . . Hear Monitor almost all week-end, and WRVM, from 7:15 a.m. Sunday, and practically all that day . . . Tex is trying to American-ize us I guess . . . A certain station advertises that you can have your car radio tuned permanently to that station, free of charge. . . No comment. . . Everyone here likes the Jack Benny shows (radio & t.v.); Perry Como show; and Phil Silvers. They sound good but think we would enjoy seeing the action and see what the audience seems to be laughing at . . . Certain guy on 2-D laughs like hades when the comedy shows are on, and we always know when he is listening to Bob Hope and others . . . Jack had the boys donate some sheckels and purchased some fine new 45's, 78's and LP's . . . CKLC donated some more, their second or third group now. . . We can't solicit the other stations, but if anyone is wondering what to do with their old records, or want to clean out their record library, just send them to us, P.O. Box 190, Kingston. . . We'll sure acknowledge

receipt of them in this column. . . Friday night Request Program still a favourite with the CB-ites and the records are sure catching heck. . . Jack making like a disc jockey and maybe a new vocation when he departs from the Bay. . . Someone asks if that is why he plays so many records and is now the 'wakey-wakey' man. . . If so, they want time checks, because there has been an awful lot of sleep-ins since the change-over. For the late-to-bed radio fans, we have had some fine boxing



boxing matches lately on Friday nights—the Gillette Cavalcade at 10:00 p.m. . . Were fortunate in being able to follow the Academy Awards, by sound, on March 26th, and the Robinson-Basilio fight on March 25th. . . Both of which enjoyed by all. . . We salute Mr. R.A. CHISLETT, GENERAL MANAGER, COM-PO COMPANY (DECCA RECORDS), LA-CHINE, Que. for his donation of some LP's. . . Thank you, kind sir. . . To Ron Bertrand of CKLC, Gib sends his regards. . . He wonders if you have Buddy Berrigan's "In Memory Of You". . . When he was 'on the street' last year he couldn't remember the name of the record, and Ron went to all the bother of checking his files at the station. . . "ALL THE WAY", is a C.B. favourite, as are most of Frankie Sinatra's records. . . Is Rita Lloyd an employee, in a clerical capacity, of a local radio station, or an entertainer with that firm? . . . We understand she is part of the Domino Theatre, and all think she is a terrific singer. . . Why does Bill Luxton call Rita, "Granny". . . She's a honey and we would like to have a Granny like her anyway. . . The Deacon's birthday is May 16th and as he is a regular listener to CKLC Kingston Jamboree every noon-hour, we would like to have his favourite "I'm Tired" played for him. . . Can you ar-

range it Buddy? . . . Stu Kenny (CKEY) still a favourite with all the Torontonians in these parts, and everyone listens to Cousin Bill Bessey on "Ontario Round-Up" Station CJBC, every Saturday morning. . . Seems that "Gun-



smoke" is one of the favourite programs among the local citizens, as well as "Cheyenne," "Sugar-Foot", and all westerns and mysteries we hear. . . Of course, we all like "Groucho Marx, "21", "People Are Funny", "Bob Hope", "\$64,000 Question", "Take It From Here", and many others. . . Like Arthur Godfrey's "Talent Scouts", "Fabulous Fifty", "Uncle Billy Bees"; "All Things", and many other musical programs. . . We all have heard Dick Herrington on his local Special Events Broadcasts and were pleased to see him, in person, on a few occasions at our Sunday concerts. . . Hi out there to all our friends, in Ottawa, Kingston, Toronto, Smiths Falls, Oswega, Syracuse, Watertown, Rochester, Belleville, and all points east, west, north and south. . . Anyone who has a radio schedule to send, we would like to hear from yo'all, and get all your programs.

AS WE GO TO PRESS WE WOULD LIKE TO SEND ANOTHER SALUTE FOR THE KIND DONATION OF SOME RECORDS. MR. L.I. DEL MOTTE, PLANT MANAGER, RCA VICTOR CO. LTD., SMITHS FALLS, ONTARIO, KINDLY SENT US A BATCH OF LP's. THESE ARE GREATLY APPRECIATED AND THE EFFORTS OF SUCH FINE PEOPLE AS MR. DEL MOTTE IN THINKING OF US IN THE PENAL WORLD MAKES US REMEMBER THAT AFTER ALL THERE ARE SOME NICE HUMANE MEMBERS OF THE FREE WORLD AFTER ALL. . . Thank you all and see you in the May issue.



The Barred Bards



Serfs to a sordid duty . . . He saw them with his heart. . . Priests of the Ultimate
Beauty . . . Feeding the Flame of Art. . . Poet's Town

MOTHER

Though I my Mother do not see
Yet every hour she speaks to me
And since she made me of her choice
I praise My Mother in muted voice.

Now often though I see no form
I hear her voice above the storm
She bids the waves of tumult cease
That deep within me, there is peace.

Speaks to me of truth and right
As in her arms she's held me tight
She speaks to me of peace and love
And tells me of the home above.

And so my Mothr though I do not see
Ever close she is to me
Within my heart she'll always stay
Thankful, at night I pray.

Peter Coe

A NUMBER FOR A NAME

He lost his birthright and his rep,
His pride and one-time welcome step
He lost his name at the prison gate.

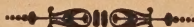
He lost the twinkle in his eye. . .
The cherished hours to linger by
A woodland stream where he could feel
The speckled "beauts" that graced his creel.

He lost his tread when lovers meet
And on a rose-banked country lane
He has lost a heart, that grieves with pain.

He lost the right of a hallowed spire
Where meet the friends one should acquire
But most of all, he lost indeed . . .
The touch of God that Mortals need.

And tho' his loss is hard to bear,
Never will it quite compare
To his mom's who thru his sin
Lost a son when he checked in.

G Hubbard



Red Rose of my life

Today your beauty shines and stands
As when rst we clasped our hands
Other flowers reflect their story
But none stand out like Crimson Glory
When storms brought forth their blanket of
white
And ill winds struck with stinging bite
The warmth of My Roses's heart came through
To comfort me with the love we knew.

How I miss her, no-one knows
In memory forever my bright Red Rose
A glowing chance for life anew
My beautiful Rose I left with you.

God in Heaven, hear my plight
Let me love, my Rose so bright

With glowing heart so warm and true
Her radiance shines in the morning dew.

Holy Mary our Mother our Care
Hear me knelt in solemn prayer
Return me to my Rose and Pride
Forever to linger by Her side.

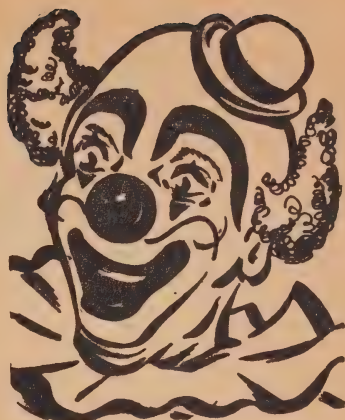
Each petal a memory never to die
Will bloom in splendour 'neath the sky
Together we'll share a love so true
'Til from this world we say adieu

When times' no more and in God's care
In the Garden among His bloom so fair
I'll find my Rose still shining bright
The One who helped me win the fight.
Charlie Lockwood

THE HUMOR PAGE



WACKY WIT



Dear Old Lady: "Listen to this; this article states that in some of the old Roman prisons that have been unearthed, they found the petrified remains of the prisoners."

Second Old Lady: "Gracious! Those must be what they called hardened criminals."

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The wealthy industrialist stormed out of his mansion, climbed into his car and snarled at his chauffeur, "Drive me downtown to my club. I just caught my wife kissing the butler." The chauffeur smiled tolerantly and replied: "Oh, come now boss, you're just trying to make me jealous."

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Judge: "What is your name, occupation, and what are you charged with?"

Defendent: "My name is Sparks; I'm an electrician and I'm charged with battery."

Judge: "Officer, put this man in a dry cell."

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The courtroom was crowded as the judge finished his lecture to Jo Jo White, defendant in a divorce case.

"So I have decided to give your wife \$50.00 per month," the judge concluded. Jo Jo's face lit up, "I'll try to slip her a couple of bucks myself, now and then."

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A school teacher of inquiring mind was touring Hollywood on a sight-seeing bus. "On the left is the Crosby Mansion," intoned the driver.

"Bing Crosby?" queried the teacher. "No. . .Bob," replied the driver.

"On the left is the Barrymore Estate," continued the driver.

"John?" ventured the pedagogue softly. "No. . .Lionel," snapped the man with the megaphone. "And straight ahead the Christ Church."

Hearing no response, the soldier seated next to the teacher nudged her and said, "Go ahead, lady, you can't miss every time."

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TREASURED CHEST

In his medical memoir, Doctor At Large, Dr. Richard Gordon writes:

One day a mother brought her teen-age daughter to my office and explained that the girl, who sat shyly staring at me, coughed all night every night. I told her the youngster's chest must be exposed so I could make an examination. When the girl was ready, I put my stethoscope on her chest and said with a smile, "Big Breaths." Instantly her shyness thawed. "Yeth," she said proudly, "and I'm only thirteen."



Come to

the
Round-up
at
C.B.P. corral

Reelin' 'n Deelin', then News & Views, and now "ROUND-UP", keeps us posted on activities in the "li'l house". . . Ball season a-starting and *Maxie* getting his umpire crew rounded out . . . Must be having a hard time getting umpires tho', judging by the "shell" he had working at first base, on the big diamond, last week-end. . . Noticed *Kole's Korner* now on the Utility Gang, flexing his manly biceps. . . *Ray Renaud* has now joined the "pound-of-butter club". What happened, Dad, was the finger in the marsh? . . . Wonder who *Dick's* side-kick was at the shows? We see all, know all, buddy, and agree that nine is a long one . . . Is *Simple Sedge* a male nurse? . . . Gad. . . Did you know *George Labonte* was a sleep-walker. And how, every morning. . . *Gene Palmer* now 'barber 'up-front'. Nice goin' fella; you're OK in our books . . . Did *Elmer* get his guitar yet? Hear he is proud owner of one of *Jack Kingston's* git-boxes at a measly \$2.00, and the irony of it all. . . he can't play the darn thing. . . Aghast. . . Wonder how the smilin' Irishman, *Patrick O'Heany* is doin' in his greener pastures. . . Hear *Bert* is now a *Whitby-ite*. . . Say *Tactless* what happened to our buddy, "Buddy". . . *Elmer and Ivor* working hard re-writing the Engineer's departments books. What happened, anyhoo? . . . *Huddle* got pinched for speeding, no less, in *Napanee*. . . Who's the *skinny plumber* and the hat. . . His crown is larger than his

noggin' and I do mean REALLY . . . Has anyone heard how the 'bone-rack' made out? . . . You surprised us *Ralph* (I think) . . . Who's the *loud snorer* on 2-D? I hear asthma affects many in various ways, but the deep snorning, oh brother. . . Is it true that *Big Jim* of powerhouse fame got mixed up with a pipe? Or was it the broom handle? Well anyway he can't kid the wedge anymore. . . How about "Fat *Maxie*" the bubble? Did he gain weight, or is he just a natural roly-poly. . . A big question, *IS RUBINO A BOXER?* Saw him givin' a kid a few pointers in the yard last week-end on the fine arts of the ring. He's lucky the kid didn't throw him a punch. . . he had no guard-up. Maybe they do things differently in *Jackson*. . . They tell me that *Vern* is now quite happy, with big brother *Gerry*. . . *Simon Quesey* doing a real fine job tending his flowers at the R.C. Chapel . . . *Tom Ruddy*; Man you're aging, ole pal. Hope they turn you loose real soon. . . *Sonny Bender* now a quarry man. Watch those hard rocks kid. . . *Joey Hill* a farmer??? What next . . . *Sawbuck Slim* going to take up stock-car racing when he leaves the bucket. He's after the thrill of rolling the buggies. . . *Big Stewie* the same happy-go-lucky guy. Always laffin' away the blues. Nice going *Stewie*. . . Didn't know there were so many P.C.'s in the joint, both voting and non-voting . . . Latest rumor, night yard this summer, now that the back gate has been installed. . .

Oh yeah! . . . *Stevie* was out campaigning for "E" day. . . Who's the hand-ball champs, *Bobby* . . . Still say that *you and Hick* were best. . . *Stanley Smith* working hard at barber shop . . . *Charlie Hall* getting ready for the street. Done some nice cabinet work. . . Must admit *Joe Lotharp*, "*Red*" *Snider*, *Jimmy McGregor*, and all did a fine job at the auditorium; getting it prepared and during concerts and shows. . . Speakin' of shows, think there was a pretty fair selection this year, and know it is hard to please everyone . . . Hope next year the committee picks a few more westerns; mysteries, and comedies like the last one we saw. . . "Mrs O'Mally and Mr. Malone". . . *Howard Urquhart* doing a fine job at the garage we hear. Another fine lad, we know. . . *Ray Lepine* the best pitcher around here by the looks of his pre-season work outs. . . *Joe Jackson* looking blue. . . Will ball season bring him back to his usual? . . . It it true what they say about Weston? . . . Ontario, that is . . . They claim it is a suburb of Toronto and was in the hole . . . Know how rumors get around these places though. . . Wonder what started the rumor about *Pat's appeal*. Had the poor guy worrying. . . Did you hear the latest election gimmick? "Now is the hour, put—in power" . . . What power is needed here? . . . *Barney "Waxy" Morrow* a heck of a great guy. Everytime he brings around the canteen slips, cards, razor blades, soap, etc., he is always cheerful. A great inspiration to those who are always cryin' over the raw deal they got. Take heed J.P. . . *Lornie Long* is fast becoming a good barber. . . Big sale on coats we hear, eh *Tony*? . . . Anytime you need a hanky see the *Big Bull*. . . Strange things are happening between two of our local nuts, *Cesspool Smith & Penguin Sedge*. It's a case of who donates the biggest chocolate bar. . . yah, yah. . . Anyone want to play crib? One of the gendarmes here will accommodate you,

then take your copper as stakes . . . *Big John McKay and Gipsy Giroux* having a ball. What a pair to draw to, they beat a royal flush. . . Every Friday, *Newfy Ramsdale* says its like a visit home. Anyone got fish they would care to donate; he will look after it. . . Everyone getting short, Vince the Crow, Roach, Hide-a-way Fox, Bolshevik Bullock and Harold, oh dear, and a lot more . . . How's about it, *Hale* can sure knock out those purses. You should see him go he and his 3 or 4 henchmen, they sound like a bunch of woodpeckers, tip, tap, tap tip, etc. . . I wish I had a steak, Antone. . . I hear since B. Waters left, that *Joe Papp* has taken over smelling the shaving brush. How about it, Joe??? How does *Bubbles Maxie* ever pull those clothes out of the washers? He can't even tie his shoe laces because he can't reach over the layers of muscle. . . As a baker that E. Cattell would make a good blacksmith. I wonder when he will turn the page of his recipe book and get past tea biscuits. . . Can you imagine that H. FOX trying to grow hair on that patch of skin he lugs around. Give it up. says he is only 22. Those who know better say that it is only on one side. . . They tell me they are going to close the plumbing shop when Gray leaves here. . . There seems to be a Mississippi card shark in # 2 Dorm . . . I can't understand how they can put all of Quebec into one little spot like # 1 Dorm . . . We hear *Frank Morrison* likes convertibles, especially at jug-up. . . *Fred Alman* is the only plumber who started at the top and stayed. He is now cleaning sinks and stuff on the cleaners. . . The Laundry boasts the tallest and shortest guys here, a regular Mutt & Jeff the *Louie & Spider*. . . A final sports note: *Old canvas back Dunn* lost another decision. His legs are not in good shape he says and he usually lays down on the floor after the first blow. . . We'll be seeing you in the May Round-Up. . .

THE CUSTOMER ALWAYS WRITE

The Credit Department of the Hudson Bay Co. received this letter from a Canadian farmer:

"I got your letter about what I owe. Now be pachant. I ain't forgot you. When I have the money I will pay you. If this was the Judgement Day and you was no more prepared to meet your Maker than I am to meet your account you sure would go to hell. Trusting you will do this." . . .

SPORTS AT



THE BAY

by Ken Bullock

WHITBY CLUB GIVES CANADA WORLD ICE TITLE.



Whitby's Dunnies, representing Canada in the World Hockey Tournament came through in grand style with a 7 win; 0 loss record, thus bringing the world championship to Canada for the 17th time since the series started in 1921 and the first since 1955 when the Penticton V's beat the U.S.S.R. team.

Canada didn't take part in the 1957 games, and this was a good victory for the Canadian club. Everyone was glad to see them come through in grand style winning the Gold medal; not only playing in a style much different from our rules and regulations but also playing in outside rinks of a different size. The Whitby Dunlops did a great job in taking every game they played.

We, of the C.B. Diamond, on behalf of the entire inmate population say Thanks to the World Champion Whitby Dunlops, and Congratulations for a job well done—bringing back to Canada the well-deserved world supremacy in the national winter sport—AMATEUR HOCKEY.

CANADIAN WINS SKI CROWN

Lucille Wheeler of St. Jovit, Que. put Canada on the map with her fine ski-ing having received two consecutive victories in the ski championships of the world held in Europe this year. The two events were the Giant Slalom and the Down-Hill event.

Again we say a job well-done, Lucille Wheeler, for bringing honor to our country and we hope you have continued success in your fine endeavours.

It is too bad, more could not follow the World Champion Ski trend, but it seems our government will not back the younger Canadians who would and could make a showing just as Miss Wheeler has done; if they were able to participate. However, many have been forced to stay home and follow this in the newspapers simply because they could not afford the expenses involved in attending the World Championship Ski Meets in the annual Olympics competition.



ON THE C.B. SANDLOTS

Well, spring is here again, and as usual the month of April sees the ball players coming to life and getting in shape for the forthcoming season.

On Saturday April 12th, the try-outs started and on April 19th, the better players were absorbed into teams. Starting on April 26th and 27th, these fellows worked together in teams and in a few exhibition games among the 8 teams. We think that a good season of ball is in store once the schedule starts on May 10th.

In the American League, Nick Ingram was chosen as Commissioner, and he seems to be getting his 'boys' down to business.

The following are the four American League Teams and their managers:



"... and HERE Are

INDIANS

(Ed. Haska, Manager)

D. Campbell

Hall

J. Doyle

Govia

Fox (Donnie)

McCarthy

J. Leslie

McIntyre

Olsen

Desnoyers

RED SOX

(R. Leney, Manager)

Danyluk

Sanderson

Labelle

Nicholas

Williams

Bertrand

Waters

G. Giles

F. Giles

Fields

TIGERS

(R. Deane, Manager)

Lauzon

Marshall

Greenidge

Turcott

Bradley

Hurst

R. Robinson

Bourdon

Wagner

Littlejohn

K. Smith

YANKS

(Sammy McLaughlin, Manager)

Earl

Smith, T.

Smith (4972)

Brooker

W. Lonsdale

Roy

Maltby

Perry

Pelletier

R. Lonsdale

Here are the results of the exhibition games during the week-end of Saturday, April 26th and Sunday, April 27th.

In the first game Saturday afternoon, the Tigers defeated the Yanks, by a 11-6 score, in a 5-inning game.

BOX SCORE	1	2	3	4	5	Totals
Yanks	-	3	-	1	3	7
Tigers	-	5	1	-	5	11

Greenidge was the big gun for the Tigers, in this game, scoring 2 of the runs, one of them being an 'in-the-park' homer. Other runs were scored by: Wagner 2; and 1 each by Lauzon, Marshall, Bourdon, Hurst, Hottot, Bradley and Robinson. In the hitting department, Turcotte came through with 2 singles, while Littlejohn and Robinson each got singles. For the Yanks, W. Lonsdale got 2 of the 6 runs, while single ones went to Maltby, Brooker, Roy, Terry Smith and 4972 Smith. In the hitting, Pelletier got a double and a single, while Brooker got a double and W. Lonsdale a single.

The winning pitcher was Bourdon who came in at the top of the 5th, and for one inning of pitching he allowed 3 hits, walked 1; no strike-outs and gave out one wild pitch. Marshall, in his 4 innings of pitching allowed only 1 hit, walked 6 and struck-out 2. The losing pitcher was Terry Smith who allowed 5 hits, walked 10; struck-out 11; and let go with 10 wild pitches.

The Big 3, as chosen by "Gib" Gibson, the A.L. Scorekeeper, were Greenidge and Turcotte of the Tigers, and Brooker of the Yanks.

SECOND GAME — Saturday afternoon.

Red Sox 16 — Indians 3.

In the second game, which was called at the end of three completed innings, the Red Sox white-washed the Indians right from the start of the game.

BOX SCORE	1	2	3	Totals
Red Sox	4	11	1	16
Indians	3	-	-	3

As the Indians were badly outclassed, it was hard to call anyone a 'big gun' in this game. Field led the running department with 3; Williams with 3; and Leney and Danyluk each getting 2 runs. Single scores were credited to Labelle, Waters, Giles, Bertrand, Sanderson, and F. Giles. For the Indians: Fox, Ball and Campbell each got one run. The Red Sox hitters were Waters with a double and single; Williams with a Homer and 2 singles; Sanderson with 2 singles and a single each to Leney, Fields and Bertrand. The Indians' hitters were Fox with 2 singles and McCarthy with one.

Sanderson of the Red Sox was the winning pitcher; having allowed 5 hits, walking 3 and struck-out 5. The losing pitcher, Ball, allowed 10 hits, walked 1 and struck-out 3.

The Big 3 of this game were Williams and Water sof Sox and Fox of the Indians.

SUNDAY A.M. (April 27th) Game

Red Sox 14 — Tigers 8

In the Sunday morning game, the Red Sox continued on their winning ways with a 14-8 win over the Tigers in a 3 inning game. Leney headed his team in the running dept. with 2 runs, one being a home run with 3 rbi's. Williams was responsible for 2 of the Red Sox runs as were Bertrand, G. Giles and Fields. Single runs went to Labelle, Waters, Nicholas and Sanderson. For the Tigers, Hurst led the parade with 2 runs while Turcott, Bradle, Wagner, Littlejohn, Bourdon and Marshall each scored singles. There were 12 men on the two teams responsible for the 15 hits rcoreded during this 3-inning game. The Sox hitters were Leney with a homer, Bertrand with 3 singles, Labelle a double, Sanderson a single and double, and Waters, G. Giles and Fields each got singles. For the Tigers Hurst, Bradley, Wagner, Littlejohn and Marshall each were credited with singles.s.

The Big 3 in this game were Leney, and Bertrand of the Red Sox and Hurst of the Tigers.

SUNDAY AFTERNOON — 1st Game

Tigers 7 — Indians 6

This 4-inning game turned out to be one of the better games to be played so far in this short exhibition season. It was nip-and-tuck all the way.

BOX SCORE	1	2	3	4	Totals
Tigers	-	2	5	-	7
Indians	4	-	2	-	6

Robinson led the Tigers' runs-in dept. with 2 while Hurst, Bradley, Lauzon, Greenidge and Marshall each scored once. Olsen and Doyle were the top marksmen for the Indians with 2 runs ach, and Campbell and Govia came through with one each. In the hitting department, for the Tigers,, Hurst, Bradley, Greenidge, and Marshall got singles while "Big Rob" Robinson received a pair of them. Govia and Olsen each hit doubles for the Indians and Doyle got a pair while singles went to Campbell and Desnoyer. This was a heart-breaker for Desnoyers as he hit a lovely one to make the circuit, only to be called out for failing to touch second.

Marshall was the winning pitcher; pitching 3 complete innings in which he allowed 6 hits; walked none and struck out 1. Terry Smith came in in the last inning for the Tigers and allowed no hits, walked none but struck out 1. The losing pitcher, Ball of the Indians, went the round giving up 6 hits, walking 2 and striking out 4.

The Big 3 of this contest was Robinson, Hurst of the Tigers and Desnoyers of the Indians. This boy turned in a fine job at centre field and made a nice shoe-string catch on a deep swat by K. Smith in the 4th inning.

SUNDAY AFTERNOON — 2nd Game

Yanks 12 — Red Sox 8

This 6-inning game was a thriller from the start, and if this was an example of team spirit that is to exist throughout the season, the American League might have some pretty good ball. Going into the 5th inning, the game was close with the Red Sox on top 3-2. The Yanks came through for eight runs in the 5th and two more in the 6th. The game was called on the second half of the sixth and it looked as if the Red Sox were coming through to tie or at last come close to the Yanks in a highly-spirited inning.

BOX SCORE 1 2 3 4 5 6 Totals

Yanks	-	-	2	-	8	2	12
Red Sox	2	-	1	-	-	5	8

For the Yanks, Terry Smith scored 3 runs, while Brooker and R. Lonsdale each came across the plate twice. Single runs were accorded Perry, W. Lonsdale, Smith, Roy and Maltby. The Red Sox runs-in were by Labelle 2, one each by Leney, Danyluk, Bertrand, G. Giles, F. Giles and Sanderson.

The Yanks' hitting department, were 10 hits by the following players; T. Smith, Brooker and W. Lonsdale 2 singles each; and Perry R. Lonsdale, Smith and Roy one single each. For the Red Sox, Bertrand had a single and a double; Sanderson a triple, and singles to Leney, Labelle, Nicholas, Waters, F. Giles.

The winning pitcher was Earl of the Yanks with 6 innings pitched, allowing 10 hits, walking 3 and striking out 4. Terry Smith came in at the last and walked 1 batter when time ran out. The Losing pitcher, Sanderson of the R. Sox, went the route and gave up 10 hits, walked 5 and struck out 7.

The Big 3, was Brooker of the Yanks, Terry Smith of the Yanks, and Danyluk of the Red Sox.

The season starts on May 10th, so we will have more ball news from "THE C.B. SANDLOTS", next issue.



WILLING TO ADMIT

The way I look at this life is this, to be successful in your quest for a chance to redeem yourself, and be successful in your post-release rehabilitation, you must be willing to admit. So, if the world has given you a "bum steer", or if you're incarcerated on a "bum beef" don't read any further, because you're wasting your time. On the other hand if you are willing to admit that you are otherwise technically afoul of the law in some way or another, then continue. You've nothing to lose with my opinion, and I'm willing to admit what I have to say may may not agree with others, or you.

We have read a lot about the numerous disadvantages of prison-life, and very little is written to show this business of going to prison can have its redeeming features. Although prisons are definitely not the answer to crime prevention, and do more harm than good, there might be one or two good points a prison term can afford. Although I cannot think of them at this time, I consider the opportunity of self-analysis a step in the right direction, and something constructive that could lead to eventual success.

Someone once said "the thought is father to the deed", and when we look at our deeds, though many of them have been considered "spur of the moment", the act was the direct result of a thought. Our own incarceration signifies that we stepped badly out of line at one time, or another. In that case our thinking must have been badly out of line too. Somewhere along the line our mental processes cracked, or broke down, and we either failed to ask ourselves a question, or we got the wrong answer. Now admit it, isn't this correct?

So there you are, the opportunity of self-analysis. How many of us sit, or lie, in our cells thinking of the day when we will be back in society and count the number of days we have left in our "bit"? You're right, we all do. And what good does it do us, it just makes our bit a little rougher, and we get that itchy foot and wish we were 'hitting the street' right then and there. A better way to spend those dreary hours, is to try a little back-tracking, and estimate where we first slipped

and fell. . . where we hit that desire for "easy street", the road to prison.

Many of us, seeing the children frolicking and having a good time, or seeing the youthful set having fun, have just wished to ourselves, "If only I was a kid again, how I'd like to live the life over, and make sure I did not make the same mistakes". Well, believe it or not, it isn't too late to rip yourself to pieces. If you are one who likes to cut the other guy up, try cutting yourself apart for a change. It will do you good, and although you might not like what you find in your analysis, the results could be very fruitful and there's no time like the present to become willing to admit.

Now, there you are, you discovered the error in your thinking. Correct it, and plan your future accordingly. I am sure if we discovered the error in our wandering ways, in our thinking, and made our plans in accordance with our new way of thinking, then we could say as we leave here "never again will these walls darken my life". Sure, there will be many pit-falls, but these can be overcome if we make sure our guard is up at all times. After a short while, our habits will be in accordance with our new way of reasoning, and thinking, and we will certainly think twice again before making a wrong move. Remember the old saying that Confucius brought into the Western World, "a full cup will hold no more water, and a head full of thoughts has no room for the destructive, harmful ones."

When we enter these places we do not like the police, nor perhaps the administration and custodial officers. That is man's own privilege, they have their dislikes and likes, and no one is saying that we should love these people, nor do we have to talk to them. We are not saying you should. But I was the same before I took a self-analysis, and believe me I don't see why I should take it out on anyone. I am willing to admit that I was wrong. . . my mental processes slipped. . . but I will tell you this I want to make a better future, and my future does not include these walls. . . I hope that you all feel the same way.

REHABILITATION FOUNDATION FOR POLIOMYELITICS AND ORTHOPAEDICALLY DISABLED

In this day and age, we hear and read a lot concerning the word "REHABILITATION". We of the penal press are concerned mainly with rehabilitation of inmates and ex-inmates of the penal institutions, but recently a less-publicised type of rehabilitation was brought to our attention. We feel the good work done by some organizations should not go unnoticed even in a penal magazine.

This particular case concerned a 53 year old electrician from the town of Gananoque, Ontario, Mr. Elmer Bishop. I became acquainted with Elmer through visits to the Kingston General Hospital, when I was enjoying life in the free world, and I hope that through this little article more can get to know this fine man, who is deserving of a break in life if any one person is.

Elmer was confined in the General Hospital at Kingston for over two years and for him the future looked very bleak, the last time I had the opportunity of dropping in on him. He had been admitted for surgery a long time before that for severe frost-bite to both feet, and in order to save his upper extremities, it was necessary to have the entire right foot and the greater part of his left foot, amputated.

Elmer Bishop did not care, nor did he want, to think of the future. He was being fitted with artificial feet and he was quite aware that the art of learning to manipulate these was going to be a long drawn-out and painful affair. If he did master the new "kicks" what trade could he follow? As far as he was concerned, the electrical field had no place for orthopaedically-disabled, and at 53 it would be futile "teaching an old horse new tricks".

And so it was, when this gentleman left K.G.H., he went back to Gananoque only to shut himself away from companionship, and was prepared to live a hermit's solitary life; only he and his loneliness to comfort each other. But, a few months ago, a case worker at the Rehabilitation Centre in Kingston, Miss Mary Kingsbury, heard of his plight and made a social call on him at Gananoque. She

found Elmer to be a very despondent man who wanted only privacy—a man who had lost all hope of ever having a future to think of. Sheer determination on Miss Kingsbury's part, was able to pull him out of his slump however. She learned that everyone in the town of Gananoque was fond of the middle-aged electrician; and she was certain that with proper support, he did have a future to look forward to.

Through Miss Kingsbury's efforts, and the Rehabilitation Foundation, space was found on Gan.'s main street, in the Delaney Building. Another polio victim, carpenter "Bernie" Turner, pitched in and built shelving and cupboards; everything possible to make the newly-acquired quarters in fine shape to put "Bishop's Electrical Repair Shop", in business. Next, a good supply of electrical materials for repairing appliances, and a quantity of goods for resale were procured. On Monday, April 14th, the business was officially opened.

Today, Elmer Bishop is like his old self again; and a much different person than the dejected and despondent hermit, Miss Kingsbury first called upon a few months previous. Now he is back in harness, working with the tools and equipment of his trade that he had learned with pride some years back. . . a businessman with a future ahead of him at the early age of 53.

We Salute the Rehabilitation Foundation for Poliomyelitics and Orthopaedically Disabled; the Gananoque citizens, and the Gananoque workers of the March of Dimes campaign; the V.O.N.; the Odd Fellows, the Masons, Miss Kingsbury and all in Gananoque and Kingston who were instrumental in gaining Elmer's confidence and assisting him in his complete recovery.

We of the C.B. Diamond, on behalf of the inmate population, take pleasure in wishing Elmer Bishop and Bishop's Electrical Repair Shop, King Street, Gananoque, Ontario, all the very best of success.

A Reply To Austin Cross' unilateral critique

Being a reader of the Ottawa Citizen, I am naturally a fan of the daily column, 'Cross Town, usually appearing on Page 2 of that paper. Here we reminisce on earlier By-Town days; an ancient locomotive; the "Idiot's Route" to Miami, and other subjects. Lately we have followed Austin Cross on his trip through Europe and the Iron Curtain countries, which have been quite informative. I am sure all of his writings are looked forward to by all subscribers of the Ottawa Citizen.

Not long ago, Mr. Cross devoted his entire column to his views of the "C.B. DIAMOND" and while we do appreciate any boost the newspapers can give us towards intake exception to some unfair censoring concreasing our subscriptions, we feel we must cerning our January-February edition.

Apparently Mr. Cross thought one of the stories was "bitter, poignant and pungent," and felt the Diamond would be better writing so-called escape ("escape in the usual sense," he writes.) stories. The controversial story, "They Call It Justice," was in reality a reprint taken from a Coronet magazine, and our article plainly credited it to its author, "Will Bernard," and its source, the "Coronet." Everyone in the literary field realizes that the "Coronet" is a familiar monthly magazine that appears on the leading news-stands, in Canada, the U.S. and foreign countries, and I do not think their readers would appreciate the inference that their articles are "bitter, distressing, or caustic." And incidentally Mr. Bernard's series "They Call It Justice," appear quite frequently in the Coronet, being true happenings of what transpires in the courts of our lands. This particular story took place 100 years ago, and concerned a case where a man was charged with murder, of his estranged lady-friend. The case came before a 12-man jury, and was deliberating for an extraordinary length of time. Eleven men considered the defendant guilty; one man considered him guiltless finally persuading his colleagues to acquit the accused. The judge reluctantly gave him his freedom. Thirty some years later, while on his death-bed th

twelfth jury-man summoned a pencil and paper, and cleared up the question of why he could not condemn the suspected murderer. On the paper he wrote because "It was I" who murdered the woman. I personally do not think it was acrid, or bitter, as Mr. Cross would imply and although our courts have changed considerably since that day a century ago, there is always the possibility that it could happen.

In another part of his column, Mr. Cross writes "I suppose that these chaps dream of freedom." Is that a sin, Mr. Cross? Sure, we look forward to the day of our eventual release, and our plans and hopes for a better future. We try not to think of yesterday, it is gone with all its sorrows, heartaches, and bitter thoughts. We take today in its stride, and try to overtake our short-comings. But tomorrow,, Mr. Cross, give us tomorrow and (we hope) happiness. We are inmates of Collin's Bay Penitentiary, not Brockville, Rockwood or any Ontario Hospital, and yet even those poor creatures must think of tomorrow.

That we delight on stories of injustice, or miscarriages of justice is the understatement of the year, but we do believe that properly administered justice, should be meted out appropriately, and with less disparity of sentences. Take for example a case that went before one of our courts. The motorist was charged with going through a red light, on the wrong side of the road at a high rate of speed. He hit, and killed, a lady who was walking across the pedestrian's sidewalk with the green light. It was brought ou in court that he could not understand a bit of English. His penalty :a fine of \$200.00. There are fellows right in here serving a great deal of time for a lesser offence. No, Mr. Cross, to say "they always seem to delight on the stories of injustice, or a miscarriage of justice", we cannot agree with your views one iota. We are supporters of justice—PROPERLY ADMINISTERED JUSTICE.

"These fellows seem to forget that in this outside world, hardly a week goes by but what some husky young cowards pistol-whip

some old folks, or shoot a policeman while they rob a bank', Mr. Cross writes on. Again, Mr. Cross, we must take exception to your views. We get the newspapers, and we are quite cognizant of the outrageous force and methods of violence used in the perpetration of some crimes "on the civy street". Do we appear to glorify or annotate these crimes in our magazine? No, we have our feelings and sentiments, or opinions regarding the activities of present-day crime, but we do not make a practice of taking issue with these matters. After all we have to live with our fellow-man, and who are we to judge? Nevertheless, are all penal inmates pictured as gun-toting hoodlums, who seem to derive pleasure and enjoyment from pistol-whipping helpless old people, or robbing banks? Such remarks could be surrilous and detrimental to the works of welfare-minded people who are endeavouring to assist in the understanding rehabilitation of an "ex-convict".

Regarding Albanian Amnesty, we agree with Mr Cross 100%. Many of us would sooner spend a 'bit' here than live in the Iron-

Curtain Countries, but this was a clipping from the daily press, and compared Amnesty given Canadian prisoners, during Her Majesty's Royal Visit, to those of Communist-ridden Albania.

We do like Cliff McKay, and all the fine people who have devoted their own free time and talents to come to Collin's Bay to put on a 'live' concert for us.

We are not experienced writers, Mr. Cross, but in fact rank amateurs. The purpose of this contribution to the penal press is to aid, inspire and cultivate intellectual improvement among prisoners; to assist in overcoming arbitrary social bias wherever it is met; to discuss, advocate and encourage further penological improvements, and to champion the cause of prisoners everywhere.

We want this old world to be a better one in which we all can live peacefully. We do not want sympathy but sympathetic understanding, Mr. Cross, so that we might make a successful re-adjustment when we do rejoin the free world, and society in general.



AMATEURISM IN THE COURTS

IN A RECENT MAGAZINE ARTICLE a Canadian magistrate pleads the superiority of laymen-magistrate equating them to juries. In both cases, he states, the accused gets the benefit of homey consideration by a fellow citizen rather than by someone who would be confused by an expert knowledge of law. This magistrate, by sitting in on a jury trial, might then understand why lawyers denounce and editorials are written against administration of justice by magistrate untrained in law.

He feels that appointing only lawyers as magistrates would, in his words, "destroy one of the most precious conceptions of justice"—that a man has a right to be judged by men somewhat like himself, not by minds trained in specialized ways remote from everyday experience.

At a jury trial the judge instructs the jury: "I am the sole judge of the law. You must take my directions upon it. You are the sole judges of the facts." Jury members are never left to guess at what the law is or how it applies. That's decided by the judge.

Amateur magistrates are the only laymen permitted to guess at what the law is and apply it as a hunch tells them. That is precisely why objection is made to them by lawyers, newspapers and thoughtful citizens.

Therefore, if amateurism is such a safeguard to justice, then judges who are lawyers should be removed. Then, once amateurism ran the courts, it would soon be obvious that formal court sessions weren't really necessary and were inclined to interfere with justice.

Appeal courts would be unnecessary too. How could strangers decide the issue any more fairly than neighbors who knew all about the case and the fellow they were trying?

FACTS ON SOVIET CRIMINAL LAW:

STEAL TRACTOR YOU'RE IN TROUBLE
MURDER SOMEONE IT'S NOT SO BAD
(THE HAMILTON SPECTATOR)

For stealing a tractor from a collective farm, a Soviet worker can be sentenced to death by a Soviet criminal court. But for premeditated murder he would draw a 10 year sentence.

The most serious crimes in the Soviet Union are those which interfere with work production. Offences against human rights, such as murder and rape, take second place to keeping the machinery—and the Soviet Communist—in high gear.

ALFRED AVINS of New York, a former assistant District Attorney, in a recent survey of Soviet law, for the South Texas law journal shows how Russia's penal code condition the sense of right and wrong for more than 200,000,000 people.

Avins points out that in addition to meting out punishment for such crimes as theft, forgery, and perjury, Soviet courts also sit in judgement for offences that are completely unknown to the free world.



A teacher for example may be punished by a Soviet criminal court for giving religious instruction in school, in one case reported by Avins, the penalty was a year's compulsory labour, to be fulfilled by the teacher after school lets out each day.



For workers, arriving late at the factory is a crime on a par with absence without leave from the army. Avins tells of one Soviet worker who with excuse, was 30 minutes late one morning, he was sentenced by a Soviet court to forfeit 15 per-cent of his wages for three months.

THE WORST CRIME a worker can commit is to badger a stakhnovite, a "shockworker" who sets an example for other workers in the speed and quality of production; this is regarded as a political crime, directed against the state, and is punishable by death.

An offender also rates the death penalty if he is convicted of sabotage, desertion from duty or shooting a Communist agitator.

Rape and premeditated murder are regarded as crimes against the individual, not the state and punishment is therefore less severe.

The maximum penalty for rape is five years, and for wilful killing or premeditated murder, ten years. Conviction for involuntary manslaughter, five years.

Soviet criminal law, therefore encourages the citizen to worry more about doing harm to the state than about inflicting injury on his fellow man. The state not only embraces all government property but its millions of representatives-party members, soldiers, police.

Even these Soviet laws concerning human relationships are vastly different from ours. Avins research showed that a Soviet father who fails to support his child, or abandons

his family, may not only be imprisoned (for up to two years), but for good measure he must pay the cost to the government for looking after him.

The sentence for perjury is prison for up to two years, and for forgery a Soviet court may imprison a guilty man for up to four years.

WHAT HAPPENS to a person who rebels against the system and escapes to another land? what penalties have faced businessmen, soldiers, government officials, and young people who desered to the west?

The Soviet criminal code considers desertion and defection equivalent to Treason. Desertion is covered by a 1934 law which states: In the event of escape or flight across the border by a person serving the military forces, the member of his family, if they helped him in anyway to prepare for or committ treason, or even if they only knew of it



but did not inform the authorities, shall be punished by deprivation of liberty for five to ten years with confiscation of the property.

The family, thus suffers equally with the guilty party. A similar law, decreed in 1929 and covering defection, also results in action against the defector's family, since it involves confiscation of all his property.

The law states: A person refusing to return to the U.S.S.R. shall be declared outlawed. A declaration of outlawry involves confiscation of all property and shooting of all defendants within 24 hours after his identity has been established.

The Soviet Criminal Code says Avins is far more severe than U.S. Military law in dealing with offenders. He says that only under extreme forms of martial law would our system of justice approach the everyday rigors of the peacetime Soviet Code.

"ABOUT PAROLE"

In our poll, we ran into first-timers and repeaters. We also spoke with a chap who had received a Ticket-of-Leave from here before. He is, in our opinion, quite ready for the street, and knowing what caused this recidivism, (learning from others here who know his complainant); we feel he will stand an excellent chance of making a success if he is given a parole.

We noticed the majority of fellows we spoke to are under the impression that a new

system of parole is to be set-up by the Federal Government very shortly. This was due to reports they have read in the newspapers; recommendations of the Fauteux Commission Report on Penal Reform; and of course, general rumor. Having heard this for five years we have learned to believe it only when we see it actually happen. To the best of our knowledge, this has not been placed in effect as yet.

THE SALVATION ARMY

(PRISON WEEK APRIL 27th. to MAY 3rd.)

(FIRST IN A SERIES OF ARTICLES ON
WORK DONE BY THE "SALLY ANN")

A WARDEN'S COMMENDATION

During the month of April The Salvation Army will again observe prison week. This occasion is indeed one of special significance and one in which we, in the penitentiary service, are most happy to participate. However, the work of the Army amongst those less fortunate than ourselves is not confined to this one special week, for it continues throughout the years, and its importance can hardly be exaggerated.

The efforts of the organization to assist inmates of our penal institutions and their families, both while serving their sentence and upon their release, has earned a high place in the esteem of all concerned. By their love, understanding, patience, guidance and good counsel, they have assisted countless men and women to take their appropriate places in life when the time has come for them to do so.

Sr.-Major Mercer, who has been with us now for a number of years, is a man of great understanding, and is regarded most highly by inmates and the administrators of our local penal institutions. We sincerely hope that he will be permitted to continue to work with us, and for us, for many years to come.

All members of The Salvation Army, particularly those assigned to prison work, must feel a deep sense of satisfaction in their wonderful accomplishments, and I take this opportunity of wishing them all continued success in their work of mercy and love.

Colonel V.S.J. Richmond, Warden
Collin's Bay Penitentiary.

A PRISONER'S REACTION

I would like to tell you how The Salvation Army, through the Bible class and its wonderful course, has helped me find peace with God.

I have learned to pray again, and God has answered many of my prayers. He has shown me that He has never forsaken me, even in prison, and now I know He never will. Because of my faith in Him, even life in prison can be bearably pleasant. I sincerely intend to follow Him anywhere He may choose to lead me. I pray that I may never stray from His loving arms again.

The Salvation Army representative for this area conducts a Bible course on Sunday morning. This class is attended by twenty to twenty-five inmates. We have an opening hymn, followed by a prayer, then the Lord's prayer.

The Major explains to us the meaning of a Bible passage, and I must say that the interest shown by the class is most gratifying. One can hardly hear a murmur when the Major is instructing us. The correspondence course is of great benefit to the converted prisoner, or to one seeking Christ. If this course is adhered to properly it gives the student much food for thought, and feeds his hungry soul. I sincerely recommend this course to any prisoner who honestly wants to know Christ better and prepare himself for life ternal.

Finding Christ is the most wonderful experience of one's life.

Any of you who read this and are sincere Christians, please do not forget us in your prayers! May God bless the Army, and may He bestow His devine love upon you.

A NEW APPROACH.

The change in the designation of the prison department, in Canada and the United States, to that of "correction service department" is in recognition of the new terminology used in the ever-widening area of operations in the correctional field. It seems therefore opportune to give some explanation of the latest developments and the extensions beyond the original "prison gate" and the later "prison and police court" services.

Through the years The Salvation Army has pioneered, maintained and developed the work of police court and prison ministry.

It will be realized that every Salvation Army officer will now be related to the correctional service department, and it is hoped that the best possible results may be attained. The whole programme of our endeavour is for the prevention of and salvation from the "offence" of sin. Active, virile evangelism, in which is proclaimed the redemptive power of the blood is the "answer" to mankind's delinquency and sin. The comprehensive and practical programme of the corps standard and the social welfare programme will all

contribute to the "preventive" aspect of the correctional plan.

In addition to police court attendance, visitation of the homes, meetings in various institutions — federal, provincial and local — there follows the social welfare work in the provision of food, clothing, shelter and furniture.

The Army was early associated with the parole or ticket-of-leave functions of the remission service of the Department of Justice, Ottawa.

The setting up of probation and parole systems in a number of provinces has increased the need for facilities such as we provide.

The remission branch of the Department of Justice continues to release men and women under our supervision and also welcomes our offer of shelter, employment and guidance during their rehabilitation. Throughout Canada our corps and social centres offer a personally directed Christian ministry, with sympathetic and understanding heart through a net-work of services which make "CORRECTIONAL SERVICE" more than a name or department.



FEWER PAROLES IN HARD TIMES.

The prisoners of Georgia jails are feeling the effects of recession, according to Hugh Carney, pardon and parole board chairman. He said they are being turned down because they can't find jobs to go to on the outside.

PAROLE OFFICER MAKES GOOD.

Iowa Parole Board records include a story of a parolee who did so well that he hired his parole officer at a better salary than the state had paid.

Conceding that there are cases demanding punishment to the limit of the law, every judge is, on occasion, tempted to "throw the book" at a particular offender. This attitude smacks of personal vengeance from which we, as judges, should abstain. It indicates arbitrariness and lack of judicial temperament... There are other pressures too. Nothing will shake the public's confidence in the courts more quickly than yielding to the pressure of influence of those highly placed in the economic or social life of the community. An officer loots his bank of a million and is given a year. A boy pilfers a rural mail box of a dollar and draws a like sentence. That is uniformity not to be commended. Such disparity can lead only to disfavor and must be avoided. "Equal and exact justice," though never actually attainable, is nevertheless, the polestar that should direct the course of judicial discretion.

Judge Harlan H. Grooms
from *The Forum*

CONCERNING THIS ISSUE

This is our second issue of the year 1958. We hope this will be our last 2-in-1 edition, and commencing with the May issue we will get back to our regular once-a-month publication.

We hope our readers will bear with us in our ordeals. Not like our "outside" counterparts we cannot off-set our printing and administrative costs by advertising. You, the reader, are our financial backing, and with a bit of 'scrounging' here and there we are managing to survive. So, if you can steer a new subscriber to us, do not hesitate to do so we will appreciate it and will try our very best to repay with good reading.

The C.B. Diamond staff is employed on a part-time basis only. We work on our "copy" at noon-hours, and in our spare week-end moments. In addition, much of our rough copy is set-up in our "barred apartments" in the evenings, and don't tell the boss but some of our work is put together during working hours at our regular employment. The printing is undertaken through the courtesy of Mr. L.D. Cook, the Kingston Penitentiary Print Shop Instructor and his inmate assistants.

This month we have added to our staff. We have two gentlemen bringing us the Sports News, and have tried to secure the services of "The Deacon". Old Deac is getting short but we have talked him into giving us a helping hand, and holding the whip over his fat head has given us a few articles for this issue.

In this business, it is hard to please everyone. If we write something which looks detrimental to penal administration we get our knuckles rapped; if we write something that appears as praise to the penal administration, our fellow inmates take exception. So we are caught between two fires.

The C.B. Diamond is written by inmates, for public and inmate reading. We are the voice of the prisoner, and if we appear prejudiced we do not mean to be this way. We have problems that should be aired, and we are quite interested in the Current Affairs that affect our country. The most important principle we want to get across is that "PRISONERS ARE PEOPLE" and solicit any help and assistance that society may give in our endeavours to once again become worthwhile citizens.

In this issue we have:

An article on Rehabilitation Foundation for
Polimeylitics

The 1958 General Election Results

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